

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1 through 20 are pending in this application. Claims 15 through 20 have been withdrawn.

The Office Action asserts that an election of species is required amongst figure 2 (species I), figure 3 (species II) and figure 5 (species III). Applicants respectfully traverse because it would be more expedient to prosecute all of these claims together. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to comply fully with the election requirement, applicants elect with traverse to prosecute species III, which includes Figure 5. Claims 1 through 14 are readable on Figure 5.

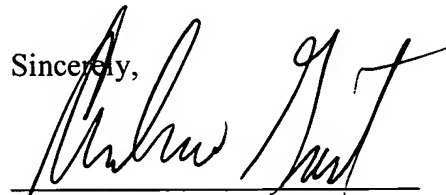
Additionally, the Office Action objects to the quality of Figure 5. A replacement drawing has been submitted. No new matter has been added.

Consideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

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Sincerely,



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